

Homonym Puns

Choose the correct homonym to complete the pun.

- 1. A bicycle can't stand up on its own because it is _____ tired.**
 - A) too
 - B) two
 - C) to

- 2. I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't _____ it down!**
 - A) put
 - B) pull
 - C) lead

- 3. What do you call an alligator in a vest? An _____ investigator.**
 - A) alley
 - B) ally
 - C) alli

- 4. The baker was in a terrible mood because he _____ his dough.**
 - A) kneaded
 - B) needed
 - C) kneeded

- 5. Time flies like an arrow, but fruit flies like a _____.**
 - A) banana
 - B) fly
 - C) bowl

- 6. I wanted to buy some camouflage pants, but I couldn't _____ any.**
 - A) sea
 - B) see
 - C) find

- 7. Why did the dinosaur cross the road? Because the _____ was extinct.**
 - A) chicken
 - B) bird
 - C) fowl

8. I used to be a banker, but I lost _____.

- A) interest
- B) cents
- C) principal

9. This graveyard is incredibly popular. People are just _____ to get in!

- A) berry-ing
- B) dying
- C) dye-ing

10. I stepped on a cornflake this morning. Now I am a cereal _____.

- A) killer
- B) chiller
- C) pillar

Writing Exercises

Explain the double meaning or write your own pun.

11. Explain the Pun

Look at this joke: "An archaeologist's career is in ruins."

Explain the two different meanings of the word **ruins** used here.

Your Answer:

12. Fill in the Blank & Explain

Complete this pun using a homonym for a type of tree: "I'm _____ of your jokes!"

Then, explain the double meaning.

Your Answer:

13. Write a Sentence

Use the homonyms "**bear**" (the animal) and "**bear**" (to tolerate/endure) to write a single punny sentence.

Your Answer:

14. Create a Match

Look at the homonym pair "**night**" (dark hours) and "**knight**" (warrior). Write a short joke or pun that uses both of these meanings.

Your Answer:

15. Unscramble and Solve

Unscramble the word (**E S O L**) to complete this shoe-maker's pun: "*I am a cobbler, and I will heal your _____.*"

Explain why this is a homonym pun.

Your Answer:
